



(Several requests have been received for the continuance of this column through the summer. To comply, a series of general non-specific topics dealing with the desert have been selected and will be discussed each week. If you have any special subject you would like treated, drop a line to this newspaper stating your preferences.)

WIND EROSION ON THE DESERT

Anyone who visits the desert for any length of time soon becomes wind-conscious. And if he is unfortunate enough to be caught in the midst of a sand storm, he will more than appreciate what an active element the wind can be in removing, wearing away, and transporting the crust of the earth. Next to water erosion, wind is undoubtedly responsible for the majority of weird, desolate landscapes one so readily associates with a desert region.

To be truly effective, wind must not be hampered by either vegetation or moist soils. In an arid area with sparse plant growth, it can be the prime sculptor of the terrain. Wind will remove top soils to a depth of several inches and carry them to another spot beyond. This process of moving loose sand is termed by the geologists "deflation", from the Latin "to blow from". In some regions huge pits called "blow-outs" are scooped from the surface by such deflation.

Wind With Sand

When wind picks up particles of sand carries them with it in sand storms, the erosive effect is more than doubled. A natural sand blast results, which has been known to actually cut telegraph poles off at the base! Pebbles exposed to strong winds assume a characteristic brazil-nut shape and are termed "dreiakant" or "ventifacts". In low flat areas the soil may be gradually blown away from around pebbles until the stones accumulate in extensive areas, forming widespread mosaic "desert pavements".

Sand Dunes

Where sand accumulates around a bush or rock and presents an obstacle which effectively lessens the velocity of the wind, the sand being carried by the wind is dropped on that spot. As the pile of sand grows, more and more sand will be deposited. In this way a sand dune may be initiated. The typical shape of a small dune is crescentic, with a gradual slope on the windward side and a steep drop to the leeward. Such dunes are termed "barchans" and are not static features. They tend to "migrate" or move in a definite direction at a measurable rate. If the velocity of the wind were constant at all times, the dune would be more or less unified in structure from top to bottom, but since the velocity and direction changes, definite layers are built-up. This irregular stratification in a dune is called "cross-bedding".

Where the supply of sand is great and the wind very strong, the shape of the resulting dunes will not be crescentic but in the form of parallel ridges. Miniature series of ridges less than an inch high often cover the surface of a large dune, resulting in a ripple-like appearance.

The material of dunes is usually quartz sand, but some are formed from finely-powdered clays. In New Mexico there are huge pure-white dunes of gypsum, forming the noted white sands of that state.

Loess Formation

Those regions to the leeward of deserts are constantly receiving fine dust. This dust gradually settles and forms thick beds called "loess". Agriculturally, loess follows:

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TRAMWAY BILL VETOED; SPEED NEW MEASURE AS OLSON EXPRESSES INTEREST IN PROJECT

Palm Springs' dream of an aerial tramway running up the slopes of Mt. San Jacinto from the sands of the desert to the snows of beautiful Round Valley, came tumbling down like "castles in the air" with a terrible crash on the shoulders of residents of this community last Saturday, when Governor Culbert Olson vetoed Senate Bill No. 1052, an act creating the Palm Springs Winter Park Authority.

RAY OF HOPE

However, in the last paragraph of the governor's veto message to the senate, villagers saw a ray of sunshine when he said: "I hope that another bill meeting these objections will receive your favorable consideration at this session of the legislature, and I shall welcome an opportunity to approve the same." Following up this lead, the tramway committee is busy this week keeping in touch with representatives in Sacramento and otherwise working for new legislation that will meet with the Governor's approval.

In vetoing the measure, the Governor stated he objected to the broad provisions of the bill, that he believes the members of the Authority should be appointed by the Governor rather than by the Palm Springs City Council, and expressed the view that the Authority should be placed more under the control of the State Park Commission.

Work on New Bill

It is reported that both Senator John Phillips and Assemblyman Nelson Dilworth have a "spot" on the calendar that can be used for a new bill. Both men had two bills pertaining to the tramway, and as only one was vetoed, it is said a revised bill which will meet with the Governor's approval can be amended into the unused tramway bill still on the calendar. It is unofficially reported that Senator Phillips will immediately introduce another bill in the legislature, eliminating all the objectionable features. It is said the bill can still be passed as an emergency measure in this session of the legislature.

Veto Message

Following is the entire text of the Governor's veto message:

May 10, 1941.
To the Honorable Members of
The Senate,
Sacramento, California.

Greetings:

I am returning herewith, without my signature, Senate Bill No. 1052 entitled "An Act Creating the Palm Springs Winter Park Authority and prescribing the powers and duties thereof; providing for the powers and duties of the State Department of Natural Resources in connection therewith, and authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to cooperate with the Authority; authorizing the Authority to construct and operate systems for the transportation of persons and property to Mt. San Jacinto State Park and for the improvement of the recreational facilities in that park, including the development, operation and maintenance of ski grounds and all facilities necessary or convenient for winter sports; providing for the issuance and sale of revenue bonds and providing for the use of the proceeds for the purposes of this act; appropriating such funds as will be required from the operation of the projects to the uses and purposes set forth herein; declaring this act to be an urgency measure and providing that it shall take effect immediately."

My objections to this bill are as follows:

This bill creates the Palm Springs (Continued on Page Two)

Continue Drive For Ambulance and First Aid Unit

The goal of an ambulance, public health center and first aid station for emergencies in Palm Springs seemed imminent this week as the Lions Club drive for an ambulance got well underway with several donations being received and a fully equipped De Soto ambulance in good condition being located that can be purchased reasonably.

Starting off the ambulance fund this week was the Lions Club donation of \$100, which was soon followed by other gifts of money from villagers. However, the club's ambulance committee is still far from its ultimate goal of \$1200. Jerry Sanborn, chairman of the committee, today stressed the importance of localities sending in their contributions as soon as possible in order that the village can have an ambulance this summer. Donations of even one dollar will be greatly appreciated and will help a lot, he said.

Thursday the ambulance committee drove to Indio to look at a fully equipped used ambulance, said to be in first class condition, that can be purchased for less than the \$1200 the committee had originally expected to pay for another ambulance they had been investigating. If the goal of \$1200 is reached and this Indio ambulance

GEGGIES TO LIVE IN YELLOWSTONE THIS SUMMER

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Geggie will leave Palm Springs Monday for Mammoth Hot Springs, Yellowstone National Park, where they will spend the summer. Geggie, who is assistant manager of the famed Desert Inn here during the winter season, manages the Mammoth Hotel at the national park in summer.

Brother Bob Geggie, clerk at the Desert Inn this season, left for Yellowstone this week. He will be employed at the Canyon Hotel this summer.

CITY OFFICES TO BE CLOSED SATURDAYS DURING JUNE

Starting with Saturday, May 31, the city offices will be closed every Saturday through the month of June.

The city offices will also be closed Friday, May 30, Memorial Day.

Fischbeck to Purchase Ambulance; Offers Its Use to Local Doctors, Police and Fire Departments

That an ambulance will be available in Palm Springs next season for emergency use was assured when Harry Fischbeck, owner of the House of Murphy Hotel, announced this week he has ordered one of the new De Soto ambulance conversion cars for use in transporting his hotel guests about the village and also to serve as an emergency ambulance for use by the police and fire departments and local doctors. He expects delivery of the new car in Palm Springs not later than November 1.

AMBULANCE NEEDED

When asked why he is taking such a step, Mr. Fischbeck stated he has long felt the need for an emergency ambulance in this community. He said the need was forcibly brought to his attention two years ago when a car driven by a local restaurant employee crashed into his own car, parked in front of the House of Murphy, seriously injuring the restaurant worker. Fischbeck said the young man lay there unconscious for a long period of time while an ambulance was called from Indio to

take him to a hospital. He said he made up his mind then and there that Palm Springs must have some sort of an ambulance.

A new De Soto model touring car that can be converted quickly from a sedan seating eight passengers into an ambulance capable of accommodating full-length, wheeled hospital cot and a driver and two passengers, was announced recently by Charles W. Bloom, De Soto regional chief. Immediately Fischbeck saw this as the answer to the local problem.

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SAUSSER CASE DISMISSED IN SURPRISE MOVE

The sensational trial of Earl Sausser on three counts of asserted violations of the state penal code in regard to gambling, which opened yesterday in Palm Springs in the justice court of Justice of the Peace Albert R. Hoffman, took a surprise turn this morning. Friday.

In what was termed an unprecedented move, Deputy District Attorney Russell Waite at 10:30 this morning asked Judge Hoffman to excuse the prospective jurors from the court room, following which he made motion for dismissal of the charges against Sausser because in view of local feeling in favor of the gambling establishments a conviction was utterly impossible, in his opinion. Judge Hoffman, after commenting on the motion and saying that such a move on the part of a district attorney's office for the reasons given in this particular case was unprecedented, allowed the motion and the case against Earl Sausser was dismissed.

Prosecuting the case against Sausser was Deputy District Attorney Russell Waite, with Attorney Rummel representing Sausser.

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P. S. Theatre May Remain Open All Summer

Most pleasant news of the spring was released this week by Earle Streebe, popular owner of Palm Springs' three fine theatres. It is that the Palm Springs Theatre will continue operation at least through June and probably all summer.

In making preparations for keeping the theatre open all summer, Streebe is installing a new refrigeration cooling plant designed to keep the theatre comfortably cool in even the hottest weather. This new plant will be complete and in operation by June 1.

The theatre is already air-conditioned, has been for several years, but the new equipment being installed is said to be of the latest design and more efficient than the theatre's present plant. The old air-conditioning system will remain in operation until the new cooling plant is completed, and it is entirely sufficient to keep the auditorium cool during the comparatively mild May weather, it is asserted.

In stating he will probably keep the Palm Springs Theatre open all summer, Streebe stressed the fact that his final decision on this will depend on the kind of cooperation he gets from villagers in the matter of attendance at the movies. He said he will keep the theatre open seven days a week straight through if he receives anything like good cooperation from summer residents of this community.

Keeping the theatre open should prove a real boon to those who are forced by the nature of their work to spend the summer here. Between the theatre, the skating rink (which also will remain open) and nightball, this is should prove anything but a dull summer.

Weather For the Past Week

Day	Max.	Min.
May 9	107	64
May 10	103	63
May 11	100	62
May 12	96	60
May 13	97	60
May 14	89	58
May 15	95	51

Museum Continues Drive for 300 New Members

Officers of the worthwhile Palm Springs Desert Museum are continuing their drive for 300 museum members for next season. So far 88 membership renewals and 10 new members have been obtained, it was announced this week by Tom Slaven of the museum.

In order that they can go forward with their plans for next season with surety and as rapidly as possible, museum officers are anxious to obtain the largest possible number of memberships before June 1. The more memberships obtained, the broader the program that can be offered next season, this is the sales talk being stressed in the drive.

Five classes of memberships in the Desert Museum are being sold as follows: Annual member, \$5; associate member, \$10; contributing member, \$25; supporting member, \$50; patron, \$100. All those who are interested in seeing the fine work of the museum continued are urged to take out one of these memberships now. Checks can be sent to the Palm Springs Desert Museum, P. O. Box 411, Palm Springs; or memberships can be taken out from Tom Slaven, Horace Pendery or Albert Frey.

Following are the renewal memberships received during the last two weeks: Mr. and Mrs. William Dean, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Butler of Safeway, Marvin D. Sale, Dr. F. M. White, Mrs. Oscar Lawler, Herbert Samson, Zaddie Bunker, Muriel Fulton, Frank Shanahan and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stettheimer. New members obtained during the same period are: Professor T. D. A. Cockerell of Boulder, Colorado, Mrs. T. D. A. Cockerell and Robert Ransom.

Dr. Elam J. Anderson, president of the University of Redlands, will deliver the address to the high school seniors at the baccalaureate service to be held at the Palm Springs Community church at 7:00 p. m., Sunday, May 25.

Dr. Anderson is widely known as an outstanding educator and a speaker of rare ability. Interested citizens of Palm Springs are cordially invited by the high school seniors to be present and share with them the inspiration of this baccalaureate service.

Duplex to Replace Old Landmark at Sunshine Court

A major improvement at Sunshine Court will replace an old landmark of 19 years on North Belardo Road, it was announced this week by Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Henderson, managers of the court.

One of the first of a group of cottages built some 19 years ago by the late Dr. J. J. Kocher is now being torn down to make room for a modern stucco duplex.

The new structure will contain two very attractive bachelor apartments.

Each main room in the duplex will be 18x14 feet and will have tiled showers and electric kitchinettes. Each unit will have numerous interesting built-in features, will be light and airy with wide porches and sun-bath facilities.

Mrs. Henderson designed these units and personally planned the interior decorating. Contractor Bill Marte has completed the plans and expects to finish construction of the duplex early in July.

Furnishings will be in keeping with the desert. Venetian blinds will be installed.

Honor is worth its danger and its cost, and life is worthless without honor.

MOVE TO FORM HOME DEFENSE UNIT FOR PALM SPRINGS

At the request of the attorney general of the state, Chief of Police Norman H. Harstad is working to form a home defense unit for Palm Springs. A meeting for this purpose has been called for Monday night of next week, either at the fire hall or in the city court room.

STATE-WIDE PROGRAM

The attorney general recently requested each city and county of the state to form home defense units which can function efficiently in case of emergency. The county units are to protect all unincorporated areas of the county while the city units function only within the city and immediate vicinity.

At a recent meeting of city officials Harstad was named chairman of the local unit, which is to be formed as rapidly as possible.

Invited to the meeting Monday night are the local heads of the various utility companies, Commander C. V. Knupp and Ray Tompkins of the local American Legion post, Fire Chief Bill Leoncio and members of the volunteer fire department, the public safety committee of the city council and other interested persons.

At the meeting Monday the nucleus of the local home defense unit will be formed. Also the group will form plans for a system of protection for the vulnerable spots within the city, such as the power sub-station, the water system, the telephone communication system and the airport.

Legion Active

Members of the American Legion have signified their willingness to serve as officers in the home defense unit and also to serve as guards. They will assist in the training of volunteers for home defense.

The Boy Scouts will be instructed to serve as messenger boys. The Palm Springs Rescue Squad will also be coordinated into the local defense program.

One of the first and major problems to be worked out by the unit will be a system of transportation and communication that can be used in event of an emergency.

Local Bowlers Compete in Oakland Tourney

Nine men from Palm Springs motored to Oakland Thursday afternoon of last week to represent the Palm Springs Bowling Academy in the annual tournament of the West Coast Bowling Conference. Two teams from here entered in the competition, an 850 team and an open team (900 or better).

Making the trip from here were, Jerry Sanborn, E. Kent Rose, Bill Leoncio, Mac McCutchen, Dr. George Brahma, Merritt Williams, Jack Hatfield, Todd Tomlinson and Walt Hake. They arrived back in the village last weekend.

Some 270 teams are entered in the annual bowling tournament now being staged, May 8-17. The local men bowled last Friday, May 9.

When the final results are tallied, it is believed that at least two of the local men will be in the winning money.

The tournament is sanctioned by the American Bowling Congress.

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Cathedral City

(By W. R. Hillary)

Do you like figures? Oh, Oh; I thought you would say that. Well, these figures are some to remember; especially if you are a property owner. We mentioned before that the Cathedral City Water Co. was adding another tank or reservoir to increase the

reserve water in storage. It's true, the community was rather rough on the water boys when they asked for a raise in pay, but the money they have spent on the tank shows fine spirit on their part. It is 40,000 gallons capacity against the old one of 32,000 gallons. Further, it is lined with an enamel of some sort which sounds sanitary. Green paint on the outside has been suggested as a partial camouflage, but most likely care of the tamarisk trees now planted around the tanks should make an effective screen in a year or two. Anyway, its three steps forward again for the village with full thanks going to John J. Grove and associates.

Some people are just naturally contrary. Sometimes its in the home, or village, or the supervisors, or what have you. Just now we are tormented with one or two people who leave early and want to take the key with them until Christmas. If we can hold the desert season to nine months, and our new school is a most decided aid in doing just that, we have made living here less of a problem for many people. Those of us who work unselfishly for the betterment of the village would not initiate new moves of importance during the months of June, July and August, but neither should beneficial efforts that are under way be hampered in their completion because the county and state activities do not stop in summer. And we should have confidence in the engineers who plan and carry out the work. Just now its whether we are to have an avenue drain from the tanks to the arroyo. Mr. Landucci did a fine thing for the community in getting the owners of the adjoining half section on our west to donate 20 feet more to the roadway. This would permit certain flood control work, but would require the removal of the arch to do it. Its a case of sediment or sentiment — which will you have?

Floyd Musselman, Sr., has purchased a new car. It will be lots of fun for the family now.

W. H. "Bill" Brown is a new member of our Chamber of Commerce, and that reminds me the notes last week were shrunk by the editor's pencil, and mention of the well attended Chamber of Commerce meeting on May 2nd was cut; also the fine party enjoyed by those attending who accepted Secretary Kathleen Naef's invitation to go to her house after the meeting and partake of refreshments celebrating friend husband's birthday. It was good.

Miss Lydia Engh is now a registrar of voters here. Don't delay registering, for you have a deputy residing in Cathedral City.

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Tramway Bill . . .

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Winter Park Authority composed of five members appointed by the city council of Palm Springs, the authority is created to furnish a tramway and other recreational facilities in connection therewith, so as to make portions of San Jacinto State Park more accessible to the public, and available for winter sports.

Portions of this bill evidence an intent that before using parts of the San Jacinto State Park, the Authority created should first receive the consent of the State Park Commission, which is now vested with the jurisdiction over the entire park, and that the operation of the facilities to be provided under the bill within the park should be subject to the approval of the State Park Commission.

However, the provisions of Section 4.10 of the bill are, in my opinion, so broad as to almost wholly negate any control by the Park Commission over the parts of the park which the Authority might use for the operation of its facilities. Section 4.10 reads in part as follows:

"The Authority has, and is hereby granted all rights of way deemed by the Authority necessary or advisable upon which to construct, locate and maintain the transportation facilities, tramways, up-ski's or other transportation facilities, as well as winter or other recreational facilities which may be acquired, constructed or completed under this act through, over, under, on or across any property of this State, including 'Mount' San Jacinto State Park."

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Under the other provisions of the bill the facilities which might be operated by the Authority under contract with the State Park Commission might be subject to the approval of the Park Commission, the authority would be constituted under this absolute grant of rights of way would not be subject to any approval or control. This absolute grant of jurisdiction and control over a large segment of the scenic resources of the state, without any control or supervision by the agency to which the people have delegated the responsibility of providing for the wise development of these resources is a step to which I cannot consent.

San Jacinto State Park is a part of California's State Park System, paid for with public funds matched by funds contributed from private resources. It is the responsibility of the State Park Commission to see that this natural resource is developed and maintained for the benefit of all the people of California. It is my conviction that further development of this park and the attractions therein should continue to be the responsibility of such Commission. If the development of this tramway, or other facilities in connection therewith, should be delegated to a body other than the State Park Commission, then any use of State Park property by such independent body should only be granted subject to the approval of the Park Commission.

The further objection to this bill is that the Authority it creates is composed entirely of members appointed by the governing body of a single city. As I have already said, San Jacinto State Park is a part of California's State Park System. Any public agency formed for the purpose of developing a road or tramway or other means of transportation on such a state park, or constructing and operating recreational facilities therein, should be an agency responsible to all of the people of California, and not one responsible only to the governing board of one city.

I am thoroughly in sympathy with the idea that such parts of San Jacinto State Park as are suitable for winter sports purposes, should be so improved that the public should be furnished a means of access thereto. In doing this, a broad view should be taken as to the uses that should be made of the park by the public. Parts of this park, and the adjacent national forests, constitute primitive areas which should be preserved in their natural state, and the opening up of portions of the park for winter sports should not be permitted to destroy the unspoiled beauty thereof. In other words, the tramway should be constructed and operated in connection with the Park; not the Park operated in connection with the tramway.

However, at the present time those portions of the Park involved in this bill are inaccessible except to the very few who can afford the time and expense of a horseback trip. I believe that these portions of the Park can and should be made accessible to more people of the state, and that its winter sports possibilities can be utilized, while at the same time the natural beauties and the primitive conditions in a large part of the Park are preserved.

I have no objection to the financing of the construction of the tramway and other facilities through the issuance of revenue bonds, but I believe that before such revenue bonds are issued, a state agency should be required to carefully consider all aspects of the construction and operation of the project, and that investigations should be made as to its feasibility, in order to avoid any failure of security. It will be seen that failure of the tramway might prevent access into the Park by other means. For this reason appropriate safeguards should be set up to assure that the tramway is constructed only if it is feasible from both an engineering and financial standpoint.

I hope that another bill meeting these objections will receive your favorable consideration in this session of the Legislature, and I shall welcome an opportunity to approve the same.

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FRANK SHANNON
REPRESENTS CO. CHAMBER
AT LOS ANGELES MEETING

At a regular business meeting of the Riverside County Chamber of Commerce held Monday, May 12, in the organization's offices in the county court house at Riverside, Frank V. Shannon was appointed to represent the county chamber at a meeting of the Southern California Council of the State Chamber of Commerce held Thursday at Los Angeles.

George W. Thomas was appointed to represent the county chamber at the annual dinner meeting of the Arlington Chamber of Commerce held Monday night.

The matter of another issue of the general folder of the Riverside County Chamber of Commerce was decided upon, and authority requested to have bids asked for.

A request was received from the Riverside City Chamber of Commerce for financial assistance from the advertising fund for the issuing of their Book of Facts, which was approved.

**LOWIE STAGG LEAVES
FOR SUMMER**

Lowie Stagg, amiable secretary at the Palm Springs Theatre, left the village Wednesday for the summer.

Miss Stagg goes first to San Bernardino to visit a married sister and her husband for a while. Later on she plans airplane trips to San Diego and San Francisco.

The popular secretary said she will return to Palm Springs early in the fall.

**LEAVE GIVEN
LOCAL BOYS**

Dale Shelby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shelby of Hatchett's Camp and Douglas Morgan of Palm Springs are home on a 10-day leave from the Navy.

Upon return to duty Mr. Shelby will be transferred to a machine shop.

**MRS. SHETTLER
LEAVES VILLAGE**

After spending this week at Gilman Hot Springs, Mrs. Reuben Shettler and members of her household will go to Los Angeles for the summer.

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**LANDS RECORD FISH
IN MEXICAN WATERS**

Mrs. J. B. Van Horn of Tucson, Arizona, frequent visitor in Palm Springs during the winter season at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Simon, reports her husband landed a record sail fish recently in Mexican waters.

Breaking a previous world record for sailfish taken on three-six tackle, Dr. Van Horn boasted a 123 pound sailfish off Guaymas, Mexico, on May 2. The previous record weight for that type tackle was 110 pounds.

Three-six tackle, the lightest recognized for deep sea record use, is composed of a six-foot rod, weighing six ounces and a six strand line.

Dr. Van Horn's sailfish measured officially 8 ft. 10 in.

**DR. HILL ATTENDS
MEDICAL CONVENTION**

Returning home Monday, of this week from the annual convention of the California Medical Association was Dr. Jack C. Hill of Palm Springs.

The convention was held last week at Del Monte.

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JOE E. WINGFIELD.

thing to look forward to. By "it" I mean the Constitution test that is administered to all seniors, and which failure to pass means failure to graduate. Twenty-nine seniors are taking the test or have fulfilled the requirement in another way. Either that or some of them have found some new way to get around the requirements. Which is somewhat doubtful.

Demonstration

The senior class this year has quite a sizeable sum of money tucked away to be used for buying a present to leave with our Alma Mater. Due to the generosity of Mrs. Nellie Coffman and Betty Coffman last year, we have had a considerably larger amount than we expected to have, as they made a gift of the Junior-Senior Banquet which we otherwise would have had to pay for. The senior class before us left quite a sum, also, which is to be used for the same purpose. It has been suggested that we make a gift of a sound-motion picture projector. In view of this fact, a man is coming down Thursday to give a demonstration. This gift would, of course, necessitate the expense of arranging a room of the high school so that it could be completely darkened, but the expense would be well worth the benefits that the projector would bring. The decision is not definite as yet, but there is no sensible reason standing in its way.

Graduation

Full particulars concerning this year's commencement exercises are not yet to be had, but the date is definitely set for Wednesday, May 28. This date is a change from the original date of the 29th. This change was made in order that we might have an appearance for the occasion, the state superintendent of schools. I think that by next week I shall have the full program of both the Commencement and Baccalaureate.

Elementary Schools Open in Fall

The fall re-opening date for all the schools of the Desert School District has been set for Sept. 15, it was announced this week by Katherine Finch, superintendent. The district comprises the Frances S. Stevens and Nellie N. Coffman schools here in Palm Springs and the Cathedral City grammar school.

The schools of the district close for the summer on May 28.

VISITS MACARTNEYS
Floyd Ewalt, a student in Princeton Theological Seminary is visiting his aunt, Mrs. John Robertson Macartney and Dr. Macartney this week.

THE FINAL HURDLE
By the time this is being read it will be all over and done with. However, at the time of this writing it is a very real and fearsome

Community Church Pays Tribute To Mothers

The Community church Sunday school presented its annual Mother's-Children's Day program Sunday morning with 181 persons attending.

The splendidly planned service was under the direction of Mrs. Arthur Jenner, Mrs. Holly Lash Visel and Miss Marion Ulnvin. The beautiful floral decorations and preparation of bouquets of flowers given to the selected mothers were under the direction of Mrs. John Williams, Mrs. Howard Fulmer, Sam Brown, Jerry Tracy and the Clyde Smith family.

Bouquets Presented

The oldest mother present was Mrs. Mary Allen from Pennsylvania and the mother of four children. The youngest mother was Mrs. Jim Maynard, age 18. The mother with the largest number of children in the church Sunday school was Mrs. Philip Boyd. The mother coming the longest distance was Mrs. White from Los Angeles.

Five little girls presented the flowers to each of the above mothers. Flowers were also presented to Mrs. Macartney who mothers all the children in the Sunday school.

Building Permits

May 9—A. G. McManus, \$8250, new dwelling and garage, Pablo Drive in Tahquitz Park. Ralph Fell, contractor.

May 12—Mrs. E. N. Jordan, \$650, addition to dwelling, 928 Avenida de Las Palmas.

May 15—Mrs. Jean May, \$1000, new dwelling, 404 N. Indian Ave.

STUDIED P. S. TRAMWAY: NOW ACTIVE IN COLORADO CALEWAY

According to an article in a recent issue of the Rocky Mountain News of Denver, Colorado, T. M. Dines, who has made quite a study of the proposed Palm Springs-Mt. San Jacinto aerial tramway, has been named secretary of the Mount Hayden Aerial Tramway Commission at its initial meeting May 13. Dines, a close friend of Francis Crocker of Palm Springs, is much interested in Mt. San Jacinto tramway and has expressed the view that it is entirely feasible.

The Hayden Commission laid preliminary plans to seek a \$650,000 loan from the R. F. C. to finance construction of a tramway from Ashcroft in Pitkin county to the summit of Mount Hayden, Colorado.

LIONS AND ROTARIANS IN JOINT MEETING

A "quiz" program similar to famous "Information Please," with quiz-master Morris Richardson firing the questions to a picked group of "experts," was the feature of this week's luncheon meeting of the Lions Club, held Thursday noon at the Palm Springs Hotel. It was a joint meeting of the Lions and Rotary clubs, with the Lions the host organization.

The group of experts were picked from the two clubs. Maynard Groth was chairman of the day.

DR. BOSWELL OFF TO LONG BEACH

Dr. and Mrs. James Boswell left the village Monday for their home in Long Beach, where the dentist has had a fine practice for many years.

Dr. Boswell moved to Palm Springs last fall for his health and opened a dentist office at 439 North Palm Canyon Drive in the Morrison Building. He built up a splendid practice during his first season here.

It is understood Dr. Boswell's plans are rather indefinite as to whether he will return to Palm Springs again in the fall.

HIGH SCHOOL TO REOPEN SEPT. 15

Students of Palm Springs high school will return to classes for their fall semester on Monday, September 15. Principal Morris Richardson has announced.

The high school calendar for next year calls for the opening of school on Monday, September 15 with the closing date to be Friday, May 29.

SPEND SUMMER IN LONG BEACH

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Wightman have closed their Palm Springs home and left for their summer home in Long Beach.

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May 13, 1941.

Mr. Harold Barkow,
The Desert Sun, Palm Springs.

Dear Harold: I have taken exception to the statement of your editorial writer when he comments in the last edition of your paper on the delay in reaching injured victims in an accident.

The basic trouble is that the "powers-that-be" in the police department do not avail themselves of the hospital and ambulance facilities here in Palm Springs. They send to Indio for an ambulance; after it arrives the ambulance takes the injured people past this hospital to a private hospital in Indio. My own patients, even when requesting for me, have been carried in this manner out of the city.

This hospital was opened to the public in 1929 and has been taking care of the injured from that day to this, whether they could pay for accommodations or not. If the police department will avail itself of the hospital facilities in Palm Springs, there will be very little delay in taking care of people in an accident. The State Highway Patrol avails itself of the private hospital in Palm Springs.

This hospital is a private institution; it maintains a moderately large payroll and pays heavy taxes, of which this community has the benefits.

There is little justification in taking seriously injured people twenty-three miles to a private hospital in Indio, when splendid accommodations are available in this city, and have been for many years, together with ambulance service.

If this were a cold business proposition there might possibly be some justification, but when it involves human lives, it becomes a serious issue.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) HENRY S. REID, M. D.
Reid Hospital and Clinic.

Two Arrested For Violation Of Building Code

MRS. JACK HILL HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. Jack C. Hill, who underwent a serious operation recently in the Riverside Community Hospital, was returned home Monday night of this week in an ambulance. Her condition is reported as much better, and she is said to be recovering rapidly.

Mrs. Hill was in the hospital about two weeks.

Medical Doctor Leases Sunshine Bldg. for 5 Years

Dr. Still said this week his plans are indefinite, but stated he will probably return to Palm Springs again next fall.

Miss Ruth Whitley of San Jose is spending the month of May with Mrs. N. O. Turner and will remain here till the Turners close their home for the summer.

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MAP OF HOLLYWOOD PARK

GENERAL MAP

Helen Ransom Granted Divorce In Reno

According to word from "the biggest little city in the world," Mrs. Helen Easton Ransom, Palm Springs society woman, on Saturday of last week, May 10, was granted a divorce in Reno, Nevada, from Robert Ransom, village real estate broker. She accused Ransom of cruelty.

Married in Yuma, Arizona, Nov. 23, 1933, the couple have resided in Palm Springs, where both have been active in affairs of the resort. Mr. Ransom is a prominent real estate broker and developer and is manager of the Plaza and Carnell Building.

LOCAL BARBER ARRESTED ON BATTERY CHARGE

On a complaint signed by Ada Williams, charging battery, William V. Owsly, proprietor of the Reservation Barber Shop at 314 North Indian avenue, was arrested Tuesday by Palm Springs police. Owsly gave bail in the sum of \$25 and his arraignment has been set for 10 a. m. on May 21 before Judge Albert Hoffman.

In the complaint Ada Williams charged Owsly with committing a battery upon her person. The defendant is represented by Attorney Jerome Richardson of Riverside.

WEEK AT BEACH

To get away from the heat, Mrs. Levering Moore spent last week at Laguna visiting friends and later went to Los Angeles for the weekend. She returned to Palm Springs Monday evening, and will remain here during May.

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Roads to Romance Association Stops In Palm Springs

The Romantic Motorcade of the Roads to Romance Association left here last Friday noon after a luncheon at the Palm Springs Hotel. Local business men, hotel and apartment house owners met with the association members and some of them joined the cavalcade. Dinner was held that night at 7:00 o'clock at Hotel De Anza in Calexico, followed by the annual meeting of the association.

At 3:00 p. m. Saturday there was the great historic parade in Calexico, and at 8:00 o'clock Saturday night there were ceremonies at the De Anza camp site at Yuha Springs incident to the start of the 160-mile horseback ride of the De Anza Trail Caballeros from the Mexican Border to Riverside where they took part in the De Anza Days Celebration at Riverside, May 14 to 17, 1941.

ESPIONAGE AGENT IMPERSONATING PALM SPRINGS MAN

According to an article in the Christian Science Monitor, Carl Raswan of Palm Springs, author of "Escape From Bagdad" and a number of other books about Arabia and Arabian horses, recently learned through press dispatches that he had been "sent to coordinate and develop Nazi propaganda and espionage activities through the Near East."

"Carl Raswan, or Karl Raswan—for he is German-born—is prepared to believe that some Nazi espionage agent is at this moment making use of his name and his friendship for the Arabs in furthering the intrigues and plottings which have been habitually the forerunners of Nazi conquests," the Monitor article relates.

"The news dispatch which told him of the activities of his impersonator in the Near East described Karl Raswan as a self-styled 'German Lawrence,' sometime author and adventurer, who has spent many years among the Arabs and speaks Arabian fluently."

Mr. Raswan has spent many years among the Arabs and gathered the data used in his books, many of which were originally written in German and have been translated into English. He made his first trip to Arabia in 1911 and has since made 13 trips and has lived with 19 different Bedouin tribes. He speaks Arabian and also reads and writes it. His last trip was made since moving to Palm Springs several years ago. This trip was made to purchase Arabian horses and while he was in Arabia he was reported lost by news dispatches.

Mr. Raswan has been a citizen of the United States since 1927.

VISIT HETTY DUDLEY

Mrs. Frank Lowry of Los Angeles is visiting a few days in Palm Springs with her mother, Mrs. Hetty Dudley of the Joshua Tree Studio.

Mrs. Lowry is accompanied by her two children, Patrick and Sara Lee.

Mrs. Wilson H. Chapman and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Honeycutt, all employed by the city of Palm Springs, spent last weekend in Los Angeles on a pleasure trip.

Flowers are God's thoughts of beauty taking form to gladden mortal gaze.—Wilberforce.

Pay Telephone Bills before the 30th and receive discount.

Last Meeting for Episcopal Guild

Last meeting of the season of the Episcopal Guild will be held Tuesday, May 20, at the home of Mrs. Francis Crocker.

This will be an all-day gathering and all ladies are asked to attend as these meetings will be suspended till October.

Sausser Case . . .

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Jurors Favor Gambling

Prosecuting Attorney Waite asked prospective jurors if they had any sentiment in regards to enforcement of gambling laws, particularly in Palm Springs and vicinity. Of interest was the fact that many said gambling laws should be laxly enforced in this area, but added they would be influenced by the judge's instructions and not by their own beliefs in this particular.

This morning (Friday) questioning of prospective jurors continued without a jury being selected. At 10:30 Deputy District Attorney Waite asked the judge to excuse the prospective jurors from the courtroom. Then it was that he made his unusual motion for dismissal of the case on grounds that in his opinion he couldn't get a conviction and that to go on with the trial, therefore, would be an unnecessary waste of the taxpayers' money.

Waite said he noticed five of the prospective jurors had been questioned here in April during the trial of Frank Portnoy and Jake Katleman, and that while the jury was being selected then these five had stated that in their opinion gambling laws should not be strictly enforced in this area. Waite continued that he thought it odd these five prospective jurors should be back again; but in view of the opinion much expressed during this trial by prospective jurors (viz, that gambling is an asset to Palm Springs) a conviction could not be obtained.

Unusual Motion

Judge Hoffman, after commenting on the motion for dismissal and stating that such a motion for the reasons given here was very unusual, allowed the motion and the case was dismissed.

Recently Portnoy and Katleman of the Cove Club were tried in Judge Hoffman's justice court here on similar charges. At that time the jury was dismissed because it could not agree on a verdict, and the two men were slated to come up for retrial in the local court later this month. Al Wertheimer, operator of the famous Dunes Club at Cathedral City, also was supposed to stand trial in Palm Springs later in May, it is said.

To Dismiss Other Cases

However, it is asserted, District Attorney Earl Redwine said in Palm Springs today that he will ask for dismissal in due course of time of these other gambling cases because he doesn't believe it possible to obtain a jury such as the law requires and contemplates, viz, a jury of unprejudiced men.

It was believed here today that dismissal of the Sausser case will ultimately lead to dismissal of the other local gambling cases still pending.

Trial in Riverside

The appeal of three desert resort night club operators to convictions in Riverside justice court for violating the county anti-gambling ordinance yesterday (Thursday) stood submitted on briefs with Presiding Judge G. R. Freeman of superior court.

Clifford Thoms, representing Jake Katleman and Frank Portnoy, and Loyal C. Kelley, counsel for Al Wertheimer, yesterday argued verbally before the court that the ordinance is unconstitutional, is in conflict with the state penal statutes and places the defendants twice in legal jeopardy.

Dist. Atty. Earl Redwine personally appeared for the verbal argument, and repeated the state's contention that the ordinance is sound and that the conviction should be affirmed.

The defendants face fines of \$800 and net terms of four months in the county industrial prison camp. Briefs are to be filed within the week.

Fischbeck to . . .

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Rapid Conversion

A construction feature new in ambulance conversion cars makes possible the quick loading of patient and hospital cot into the right hand side of the new car. A large opening is provided when both doors are swung out and the center post, hinged at the top, is lifted up out of the way and held in this position by a stainless steel arm which fastens to an inconspicuous roof bracket. When the center post is dropped back into position, its base is secured by a wing nut.

Ample room is provided for the hospital cot through removal of the front right seat and the auxiliary folding seat immediately to the rear. When the car is in use as a sedan these two seats, it is explained, are held in place by means of convenient steel rods which can be slipped in and out of the hinges. Only about three minutes are required to convert the touring car into an ambulance, and the operation is said to require no special tools.

Over all length of the new De Soto ambulance conversion model is just a fraction under 21 feet, and the wheelbase is 139½ inches. It has a 110 horsepower engine.

Fully Equipped

Fischbeck states the car will be fully equipped for ambulance use. It will be painted pure white, trimmed in bronze. It will be equipped with a special wiring, operated by a special key, for a red spotlight, blue rear light and a siren. This key will only be released to persons using the car as an ambulance. The ambulance will be air-conditioned for hot and cold weather.

An interesting feature of the new ambulance will be the signs on both front doors and on the rear of the car. When the vehicle is being used as a private sedan these signs will read, "The House of Murphy Hotel, Palm Springs." However, when the car is to be used as an ambulance, the signs can be instantly flipped over; and then they will read, "Emergency Ambulance."

Doctors Can Use

Mr. Fischbeck asserts he plans to get in touch with local doctors, the police department, fire department and other authorities to offer them the use of his ambulance conversion car for emergency cases. He says the car will be parked in front of The House of Murphy 90 percent of the time, and doctors and authorities will be free to call for the ambulance whenever they need it to help save human lives and relieve suffering.

DROPS IN TO CLOSE HOUSES; TENANTS WANT TO STAY UNTIL JUNE

V. A. Wilkins of Los Angeles, winter resident of Palm Springs for the past several seasons, dropped in Wednesday to look over his rental property on Chino Drive.

He has four rental units and came down expecting to close the houses. However, he found, much to his pleasure, that his tenants wanted to stay on until the first of June.

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lance is purchased, the rest of the money can go towards bringing a "summer doctor" here this year, Chairman Sanborn said.

The city medical center also appeared nearer this week as a committee of the city council composed of Robert Murray and Frank Shannon met with local doctors to discuss the proposition.

The entire program worked out by Murray's committee, which comprises plans for a medical center with a city health nurse in charge, a first aid station and possibly even a city physician who would run a clinic, serve as school doctor and city health officer, may be in shape for presentation to the city council next week.

It is understood the county might pay a portion of the salary of the city health nurse and the city physician; and that there is some hope of obtaining the medico for this summer.

In connection with the proposed city medical center, now under consideration by a committee of the city council, Sanborn stated today that the Lions Club ambulance will be turned over to the city. The city will furnish the driver, operate and maintain the ambulance, according to Sanborn.

The senior class at the high school is helping in the ambulance drive. The members of the class are writing form letters soliciting funds for the ambulance.

The student drafting the best letter will be awarded a prize of five dollars, and copies of his letter will be sent to every resident of this community. The form letters will ask for donations of one dollar or more to help buy the needed ambulance for the community.

PALM SPRINGS GETS NEW POLICE CAR

Thursday afternoon the Palm Springs Police Department took delivery on a new Ford special police car.

This Ford, specially constructed for police work, is built heavier than standard models, is powered by a Mercury motor and has a high-speed gear ratio. This type car is only sold to police departments.

Life has no blessing like a prudent friend.—Euripides.

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